



# Weaves the Basket

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**A prayer, a song, a sigh,  
Weaving the basket  
Weaving the dream.**

**Fabric and foil, warp  
And weaver, basket  
Coils from Spirit's eye.  
Spiral basket, gathered  
From a tended land.**

**We gather  
River song and wind rustle,  
A surge and a sigh  
Pulsing air and water  
Through veins, landscapes, gills.  
Soft stems welcome light.**

**Weaving water, wind and light,  
Coiling white root through deer  
Grass, wrapping core.  
Cradles the baby  
Buries the weaver  
Carrying water  
Cooking acorn  
Each wrap is a prayer.  
Each plant is a song.**

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